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In response to the Office action mailed May 23, 2002 for the above-referenced patent Sir: application, please amend the application as indicated and consider the following remarks. The undersigned respectfully requests a three-month extension of the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application, i.e. until November 23, 2002, under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a), and hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge the large-entity fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2), and to charge any other necessary fee under 37 CFR 1.17, or to credit any overpayment, to USPTO Deposit Account No. 50-0891.

Claims 2, 9, 14, 15, 19, 23, and 24 have been re-drafted in independent form. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the large-entity fee of \$84.00 under 37 CFR 1.16(b) for seven additional independent claims in excess of three, totaling \$588.00, and to charge any other necessary fee under 37 CFR 1.16, or credit any overpayment to, USPTO Deposit Account No. 50-0891.